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SUBJ: CHINESE REPRESENTATION IN ADB: SECRETARY SIMON'S

REF: A. MANILA 5184 B. ISLAMABAD 3576

MANILA ALSO PASS EDMOND

1. MANILA FOR SECRETARY SIMON: WE BELIEVE IT PREFERABLE TO
AVOID ANY MEETING WITH AUSTRALIAN DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER
CAIRNS ON CHIREP IN IFI'S. GIVEN CAIRNS' POSITION AS
LEADER OF AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY'S LEFT WING AND HIS LONG
RECORD OF DOCTRINNAIRE SUPPORT FOR PRC RECOGNITION, ALMOST
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ANY DISCUSSION OF CHIREP ISSUE WITH HIM WOULD MORE LIKELY

THAN NOT ONLY FURTHER STIMULATE HIM TO OPPOSE US. HOWEVER,
IF YOU BELIEVE MEETING WITH CAIRNS IS UNAVOIDABLE, WE
BELIEVE YOU SHOULD DISCUSS THIS ISSUE IN TERMS OF THE
FINANCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL DAMAGE TO THE ADB WHICH
INTRODUCTION OF THIS ISSUE COULD OCCASION. TO THE GREATEST
EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE MEETING SHOULD BE PRIVATE AND LOW KEY
IN ORDER TO AVOID PUTTING THE AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION IN A
POSITION IN WHICH THEY WOULD FEEL COMPELLED TO REACT
PUBLICLY IN THE INTEREST OF THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PRG.

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2. IN VIEW OF GOP ASSURANCE (REFTEL B) OF PFORMA
TREATMENT OF THE ISSUE, WE DO NOT WISH TO OVERPLAY OUR
HAND BY UNDULY HIGHLIGHTING THE MATTER, PARTICULARLY
WITH DELEGATIONS UNSYMPATHETIC TO OUR POSITION. KISSINGER

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